

# 2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Scientific and Technical Review Board on Biomedical and Behavioral Research Facilities

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## 1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human Services

## 2. Fiscal Year

2018

## 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Scientific and Technical Review Board on Biomedical and Behavioral Research Facilities

## 3b. GSA

## Committee No.

1908

## 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

## 5. Current Charter

06/01/2018

## 6. Expected Renewal Date

06/01/2020

## 7. Expected Term Date

## 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

## 8b. Specific Termination Authority

## 8c. Actual Term Date

## 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

## 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

## 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

## 11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

## 12. Specific Establishment Authority

402(b)(16), 404I, and 492, 282(b)(16), 283K and 289a

## 13. Effective Date

06/10/1993

## 14. Committee Type

Continuing

## 14c. Presidential?

No

## 15. Description of Committee Grant Review Committee

## 16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

## 17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 1 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 1

### Purpose

NIH Peer Review

### Start

06/28/2018

### End

- 06/28/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

## Current FY Next FY

## 18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00

## 18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$29,321.00 \$29,878.00

## 18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$30,321.00	\$30,878.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.20	0.20

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

Section 492 of the PHS Act states that The Secretary...shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of -- (A) applications...; and (B) biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts.... This committee is composed of recognized biomedical and/or behavioral research and research facilities authorities who represent the forefront of research and technical knowledge and who provide first-level merit review of highly scientific and technical research grant applications in the fields of biomedical and behavioral research. The committee reviewed 2 grants requesting \$7,800,000.00

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The fifteen authorized members of this Board are authorities (a) knowledgeable and experienced in the planning, construction, financing, and administration of entities that conduct biomedical or behavioral research sciences; (b) are knowledgeable in making determinations of the need of entities for biomedical or behavioral research facilities, including such facilities for the dentistry, nursing, pharmacy, and allied health professions; (c) are knowledgeable in evaluating the relative priorities for applications for grants under section 404I(a) of the Public Health Service Act in view of the overall research needs of the United States, and (d) are experienced with emerging centers of excellence, as described in section 404I(c)(2) of the PHS Act.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The Scientific and Technical Review Board on Biomedical and Behavioral Research Facilities held one meeting during this reporting period.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

This Board is composed of recognized biomedical and/or behavioral research and research facilities authorities who represent the forefront of research and technical knowledge and who provide first-level merit review of highly scientific and technical research grant applications. These evaluations and recommendations cannot be obtained from other sources because the specialized, complex nature of the applications requires a unique balance and breadth of expertise not available on the NIH staff or from other established sources.

## 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The meeting was closed to the public for the review of grant applications and/or contract proposals. Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act permit the closing of meetings where discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

## 21. Remarks

Reports: This committee did not produce any public reports during the fiscal year. URL: This committee does not have a website.

## Designated Federal Officer

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Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
BAUMGARTH, NICOLE	12/05/2016	06/30/2018	PROFESSOR	Peer Review Consultant Member
ESCANO, NANCY	01/22/2016	06/30/2019	MANAGING PRINCIPAL	Peer Review Consultant Member
FLETCHER, CRAIG	12/05/2016	06/30/2020	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	Peer Review Consultant Member
GREEN, SHERRIL	12/03/2016	06/30/2018	PROFESSOR AND CHAIR	Peer Review Consultant Member
HACKMAN, CRAIG	12/09/2016	06/30/2020	Principal and Senior Laboratory Planner	Peer Review Consultant Member
HAWROT, EDWARD	07/01/2016	06/30/2018	PROFESSOR AND ASSOCIATE DEAN	Peer Review Consultant Member
JACKSON, TANISE	12/02/2016	06/30/2020	DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL WELFARE AND RESEARCH INTEGRITY	Peer Review Consultant Member
LANGAN, GEORGE	01/07/2016	06/30/2018	PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR	Peer Review Consultant Member
MARTIN, MARY	01/05/2016	06/30/2019	CHIEF	Peer Review Consultant Member
PIEDRAHITA, JORGE	01/09/2016	06/30/2019	DIRECTOR AND PROFESSOR	Peer Review Consultant Member
ROMIG, JONATHAN	09/15/2014	06/30/2018	PRINCIPAL	Peer Review Consultant Member
SUCKOW, MARK	01/04/2016	06/30/2019	DIRECTOR	Peer Review Consultant Member
WILLIAMS, WARREN	12/05/2016	06/30/2020	Principal, Senior Project Manager	Peer Review Consultant Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 13**

## Narrative Description

The goal of NIH research is to acquire new knowledge to help prevent, detect, diagnose, and treat disease and disability, from the rarest genetic disorder to the common cold. The

NIH mission is to uncover new knowledge that will lead to better health for everyone. NIH works toward that mission by supporting the research of non-Federal scientists in universities, medical schools, hospitals, and research institutions throughout the country and abroad. Section 492 of the PHS Act states that "The Secretary...shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of (A) applications; and (B) biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts..."

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Improvements to health or safety                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Major policy changes                              | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Advance in scientific research                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Effective grant making                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Improved service delivery                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Other   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**Outcome Comments**

NA

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- |                            |                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Unable to Determine        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Over \$10,000,000          | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Cost Savings Other         | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**Cost Savings Comments**

NIH supported basic and clinical research accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee**

**for the life of the committee?**

1,116

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

Grant Review

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

NIH Peer Review Committees are involved in the initial review of research grant applications. The NIH dual peer review system is mandated by statute in accordance with section 492 of the Public Health Service Act. The charge to this committee is to determine scientific and technical merit of the individual grants or contracts. These recommendations are forwarded to Federal officials who generally accept the committee's recommendations and favorable applications are then forwarded for the second level of review performed by Institute and Center (IC) National Advisory Councils or Boards. Only applications that are favorably recommended by both the initial peer review committee and the Advisory Council may be recommended for funding.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

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**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

## Agency Feedback Comments

Minutes, written and oral reports

## What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Action Comments

NA

## Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

Yes

What is the estimated <b>Number</b> of grants reviewed for approval	2
What is the estimated <b>Number</b> of grants recommended for approval	2
What is the estimated <b>Dollar Value</b> of grants recommended for approval	\$7,800,000

## Grant Review Comments

NA

## How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Access Comments

Contact IC Committee Management Officer, Ms. Sharon Sealey, at 301-435-1142.